

**MINUTES OF THE
DEEP CREEK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING
February 4, 2002
Lapoint, Utah**

Minutes of the Deep Creek Distribution System held Deep Creek/Mosby Water Users Office at Lapoint, Utah, February 4, 2002. The meeting convened at 11:20 a.m., Lee Sim conducting.

Mr. Sim brought the meeting to order, with the first order of business to select a new committee chairman and board members. Wayne Justice resigned last October as chairman.

Dave Murray made a motion to nominate Marvin Huber as new chairman for this system, with Lance Luck and John Allred as board members. Bryan Smith seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous.

Minutes of the previous year's meeting were then read by John Larsen of the Salt Lake Water Rights Office. There were no corrections to be made, so a motion was then made by Raymond Murray to approve them, seconded by Martin Huber. Motion passed.

Lee Sim read the financial report, budget expenditures, and delinquent water assessments for 2001. The balance of the distribution funds at the beginning of the year was \$5,033.42, receipts were \$5,844.87, expenditures at \$4,334.14, leaving a balance at the end of the year \$6,544.15. Three accounts were delinquent for a total of \$315.36. A motion was made by Raymond Murray to accept the financial report as read, seconded by John Allred. Motion carried.

River Commissioner Bryan Smith then gave his report on the activities on the river for 2001. He mentioned this past year was a learning experience for him as he is new on the system. Snow pack was a little above average with ample supply of water. This lasted until July when flows on the river began to diminish and there were no summer rains to help with water supply. A problem with rocks placed in the canal below the electronic measuring device caused erroneous readings in the flows past the device. He did not know how long the rocks had been placed there.

Commissioner Smith mentioned there are 26 locations along the river that need regulation. Only eight measuring devices are operating correctly. The remainder need to be leveled to read accurately, or repaired so water does not pass around or under the measuring devices.

A motion was then made to accept the commissioner's report by Raymond Murray, seconded by Martin Huber, all approved.

Mr. Sim then discussed a new state assessment for this system. Due to budget cuts to the Division of Water Rights by the governor, the Division has no choice but to begin to assess the distribution systems for the cost of processing the distribution funds, accounts and assessments. The distribution systems will be assess 2.5% this year, 5% next year and 7.5% the following year. This year's state assessment for this system will be \$206.00. Mr. Sim also discussed delinquent accounts on the system and mentioned that Dave Murray's account has been delinquent for several years. Dave mentioned he would gladly trade the cost of the delinquency (\$24.00) for the costs he has incurred for the use of his garage for the annual meetings. Lee also mentioned he believes this system has been charging for water use over the entire irrigation season, unlike most systems which just charge for water use once regulation begins to take place. ~~He mentioned he will look into the matter.~~

The water users then discussed the budget for 2001. A motion was made by Raymond Murray set the budget at \$8,436.00 and the assessment at \$5,900.00 A second was made by Martin Huber, all approved.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Those in attendance:

| Name | Representing |
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| John Allred | Deep Creek Water User |
| Bryan Smith | Water Commissioner |
| Marvin Huber | Deep Creek Water User |
| Martin Huber | Deep Creek Water User |
| Lance Luck | Deep Creek & Mosby Water User |
| David L. Murray | Deep Creek Water User |
| Brian O. Murray | Deep Creek Water User |
| Raymond Murray | Mosby Water User |
| Ervin Young | Deep Creek Water User |
| Bob Leake | Division of Water Rights |
| Lee Sim | Division of Water Rights |
| John S. Larsen | Division of Water Rights |